May 2009 SOUTHERN COMMAND Department of Public Safety Nevada Highway Patrol

# **SAFESTAT REPORT**

Nevada Highway Patrol Major Kevin Tice

# **Overview**

During May 2009 the Southern Command worked jointly with the U.S. Secret Service, the LVMPD and other local law enforcement and emergency services agencies in supporting a visit to our community by President Obama. The operation was successful and without incident.

# In cooperation with allied local law enforcement agencies, the annual "clik it or ticket" campaign was launched in May. With support frm NHTSA and the Nevada Ofice of Traffic Safety, Southern Command personnel increased hazardous violation enforcement and education efforts to improve seatbelt compliance. Seatbelt compliance has steadily increased over the past several years due in large part to these education and enforcement campaigns.

Southern Command personnel handled 1076 crashes in May 2008. of these, 780 were property damage, 287 were injury, and 9 were fatal. The total crashes decreased by 8.7 % compared to last year. When compared to last year, fatalities increased by 3 for a total of 9. 24 of these crashes involved commercial vehicles 3 resulted in injuries. The remaining 21 were property damage. Crashes involving commercial vehicles represented 2.2% of the total crashes handled by the Southern Command. Impaired drivers were responsible for 3.8 % of all crashes in the Southern Command.

I would like to congratulate Lieutenants Cabrales and Larsen for graduating the Northwestern University School of Police Staff and Command. This is a significant accomplishment and will certainly benefit the Southern Command's management team.

The Southern Command is driven to provide this community with a professional and effective law enforcement presence. The Southern Command extends a thank you to all those who assisted us in gaining success in our law enforcement services this past month.

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## CRASH ANALYSIS AND OVERVIEW

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	May -09		May-08	% Change		April-09	% Change
Total crashes	1076		1179	-8.7%		1121	-4.0%
Property crashes [including commercial vehicles]	780		862	-9.5%		827	-5.7%
Injury crashes [including commercial vehicles]	287	-	311	-7.7%	1	288	-0.3%
Fatal crashes [including commercial vehicles]	9		6	50.0%		6	50.0%
DUI crashes [DUI charged]	41	-	54	-24.1%	1	40	2.5%
Total persons killed in fatal crashes	5		6	-16.7%		6	-16.7%
Total drivers killed without seatbelts	2		4	-50.0%		1	100.0%
Total passengers killed without seatbelts	1		0	100.0%		0	100.0%
Total drivers killed with seatbelts	0	-	1	-100.0%	1	2	-200.0%
Total passengers killed with seatbelts	0		0	0 %	ī	0	0 %
Total persons killed - seatbelts not applicable	2	-	1	100.0%	1	2	0 %
Total number of commercial vehicle crashes	24		50	-52.0%	ī	24	0 %
Property crashes involving commercial vehicle	21		43	-51.2%	Ī	16	31.3%
Injury crashes involving commercial vehicle	3		7	-57.1%		6	-50.0%
Fatal crashes involving commercial vehicle	0	-	0	0 %	1	2	-200.0%

### **CRASH ANALYSIS**

◆ Percentage of fatal crashes to total crashes0.8%

Percentage of DUI crashes to total crashes3.8%

◆ Percentage of persons killed *without* seatbelts to total persons killed 100.0 %

Percentage of Commercial Vehicle crashes to total crashes 2.2%

◆ Total crashes down 8.7 % compared to last year.

◆ Commercial vehicle crashes are down 52.0 % from last year.

♣ Fatality crashes are down 16.7 % from the same time as last year.

# FIELD ENFORCEMENT ACTIVITY

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TRAFFIC OPERATIONS	May-09		May-08	% Change		April-09	% Change
DUI arrests from crashes ##	41		54	-24.1 %		40	2.5 %
DUI arrests <i>prior</i> to crashes ##	182		182	0 %		181	0.6 %
Other arrests	1007		964	4.5 %	Г	935	7.7 %
Total persons arrested (DUI included) ##	402		427	-5.9 %		414	-2.9 %
Speed violations	4960		4360	13.8 %		4751	4.4 %
Hazardous moving violations	2172		2115	2.7 %		2264	- 4.1 %
Occupant restraint violations * ##	728		807	-9.8 %	Г	626	16.3 %
Total violations [above violations included]	15495		11660	32.9 %		15261	1.5 %
COMMERCIAL OPERATIONS							
Hazardous moving violations - citations/arrests	85		126	-32.5%		94	-9.6 %
Other traffic violations - citations/arrests	302		277	9.0%		264	14.4 %
Total safety inspections [level 1, 2, 3, 4, & 6]	732		731	0.1%		919	-20.3 %
Terminal inspections [level 5] CR only	19		5	280.0 %		1	1800.0 %
Total safety violations citation	550	L	234	135.0 %	Г	562	-2.1 %
Total safety violations repair order	2212		1035	113.7 %		2344	-5.6 %
Total vehicles placed "Out of Service"	129		72	79.2 %	Г	141	-8.5 %
Total drivers placed "Out of Service"	73		39	87.2 %		90	-18.9 %
Total school buses inspected	191		291	-34.4 %		520	-63.3 %
Total school buses placed "Out of Service"	19		47	-59.6 %		70	-72.9 %
Total trucks weighed	1598	L	1590	0.5 %		191	736.6 %
Total overweight citations	11		32	-65.6 %		15	-26.7 %
Total dyed fuel inspections	829		512	61.9 %		644	28.7 %
Total dyed fuel citations  *Seatbelt and Child Restraint ## Commercial Operations	11		0	1100.0 %		0	1100.0 %

\*Seatbelt and Child Restraint ## Commercial Operations Activity Included

COMMERCIAL ACTIVITY [TRAFFIC PERSONNEL ONLY]	Urban Ops		Rural Ops		Task Force
Level 2/3 Inspections	0		68		2
Safety Violations Citation	0		18	_	0
Safety Violations Repair Order	0		31		2
Drivers Placed "Out of Service"	0		12		0
Dyed Fuel Inspections	0		29		0
Dyed Fuel Citations	0	_	0		0

## **DUI / IMPAIRMENT ANALYSIS**

- ◆ Average BAC 0.14 %
- Average age of DUI arrests: 35 years old.
- 2 of the DUI drivers arrested tested positive for controlled substance.
- ◆ 14 drivers arrested had prior DUI convictions.

# **ADMINISTRATIVE OPERATIONS**

ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES	May 2009		May- 2008	% Change		April- 2009	% Change
COMMUNICATION CENTER							
Radio Transmissions from Console	356,240		341,717	4.3%		353,685	0.7%
Radio Tx and Receive totals	1,848,213		1,650,784	12.0%		1,810,316	2.1%
CAD Incidents	27184	-	24864	9.3%	Г	26,808	1.4%
Telephone Calls	34,193		36119	-5.3%		33,509	2.0%
Call Box Incidents [Las Vegas only]	Elec Issue	-	48	#VALUE!		Elec Issue	#VALUE!
FRONT OFFICE		_					
Accident Reports Processed	1,148		1,362	-15.7%		1,271	-9.7%
Arrest Reports Processed	364		390	-6.7%		353	3.1%
Incident / Officer Reports Processed	6		46	-87.0%		17	-64.7%
Vehicle Impound Releases	109	_	129	-15.5%	Г	108	0.9%
Visitors at Counter	941		905	4.0%		912	3.2%
Crash Reports Mailed Out	2,752	_	6,405	-57.0%		2,876	-4.3%
COURT / WARRANT							
Warrants Received	862		699	23.3%		793	8.7%
Warrants Entered	394	-	468	-15.8%		353	11.6%
Warrants Cleared	403		534	-24.5%		359	12.3%
Warrants Validated	1,782	-	1831	-2.7%	Г	1948	-8.5%
Extradition / Transports	16		15	6.7%		19	-15.8%
EVIDENCE							
New Cases Submitted	64	-	66	-3.0%		83	-22.9%
New Items Submitted	165		158	4.4%		189	-12.7%
Items Disposed	16	-	80	-80.0%		402	-96.0%

#### **EVIDENCE**

- ◆ Nevada Highway Patrol responsible for 87.50 % of case submissions.
- ◆ Parole and Probation responsible for 9.38 % of case submissions.
- **♣** Division of Investigation responsible for 1.56 % of case submissions.
- ◆ State Fire Marshal was responsible for 1.56 % of case submissions.
- OPR is responsible for 0 % of case submissions.

### **CONTRACT SERVICES**

• 7 Contracts using 340.5 hours, billed in the amount of \$25,843.96

#### **PUBLIC INFORMATION**

Phone Activity	Press Releases	Media Interview/TV	PIEO Meetings	Accident Response
1088	18	105	29	5

Website E- Mail Traffic	E-Mail Responses	Public Relations Projects	News Articles Total	Proactive News Articles	Reactive News Articles
883	640	41	109	81	27

<u>Community service appearances</u>: (Total 17)

#### Schools:

- Las Vegas HS (9 classes)
- Canyon Springs HS (4 classes)
- Clark HS (2 classes)
- Mojave HS (7 classes)
- Desert Oasis HS (3 classes)
- Northwest Career and Technical Academy
- Andre Agassi

#### Additional Appearances and Meetings: (Total 45)

- Southern Nevada Traffic Advisory Task Force
- IR 15 Coordinating meeting with NDOT, Cal-Trans, and CHP
- Nellis Air Force Base First Term Airman's Course
- IR 15 Design Build project meetings
- Press Event for Taser International Fallen Officer Memorial
- Speedway Children's Charity Event
- On-going training for Meth 360 Project
- Boy Scout Expo
- On-going discussions for OTS & STOP DUI // campaign with Al Unser Jr.
- Driver's Edge distribution of OTS funded DVD and event.

May 2009
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# **SAFESTAT REPORT**

Nevada Highway Patrol Flight Operations Sergeant/Pilot Tony Sabino

# **Overview**

Content:

Flight operations summary

The Southern Command Aircraft flew 6 missions accounting for 29.7 total flight hours. Refer below for a brief description of activity.

Total Missions	Flight Hours	% of Flight Time	Description
3	14.5	48	Speed Enforcement
2	12.1	41	Prisoner transports (Instate)
1	2.3	8	Training (IFR – SIMULATOR)
1	.9	3	Southern Command Fly Over

On May 18, Mesquite Police
Department joined forces with NHP
troopers during an enforcement
mission near Mesquite. Two of their
officers took flight onboard catching a
bird's eye view of our operation.
With our success, we look forward
working with Mesquite Police
Department on future missions.

A scheduled 50 hour preventative maintenance check was completed by Lone Mountain Aviation. An



enforcement mission was cancelled to accommodate the maintenance check.

During the month, the pilot attended and completed a week long course dedicated to supervisory training.

The aircraft was utilized for the transportation of two prisoners between the northern and southern commands.

May 1<sup>st</sup>, the division aircraft (Air2 and Air 3) flew a formation flight over the Southern Command Headquarters for the dedication of our Fallen Officer Memorial.

Vortex Door Company was called to make repairs to our hangar door this month. The gear chain broke at the lower attachment point to the counterweight. This prevented the door from opening. As a result, an enforcement mission was cancelled. Later that day, the door was reopened and final repairs were completed by the next day.

On May 28<sup>th</sup> the pilot flew to Carson City to prepare for a two day simulator IFR training course.

Five enforcement missions were scheduled this month. Two were cancelled, one for scheduled maintenance and the other for the hangar door.

The resulting missions flown yielded a total of 152 enforcement actions. During these missions, 3 motorists were assisted. Refer to the table below for a brief description of activity.

Type of Violation	<b>Enforcement Actions</b>
Speed	124
Hazardous	7
Non-Hazardous	19
Seatbelts	2

Out top clock for the month was 103mph, a blue Ford Focus on I-15 near Primm. In addition, 4 other vehicles were stopped for in excess of 100mph.